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SUBJ: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH FRENCH PRESIDENT

1. AFTER 50-MINUTE MEETING WITH GISCARD MORNING OF  
JUNE 24, SECRETARY HAD FOLLOWING EXCHANGE WITH PRESS  
IN COURTYARD OF ELYSEE PALACE:  
2. QUESTION: CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR MEETING WITH THE  
PRESIDENT?  
3. SECRETARY: LET ME JUST SAY VERY BRIEFLY THAT  
PRESIDENT GISCARD CONVEYED TO ME SOME INFORMATION WITH  
RESPECT TO HIS MEETING WITH GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV,  
WHICH HE ASKED ME TO CONVEY TO PRESIDENT CARTER. I  
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SHALL DO THAT TOMORROW MORNING WHEN I'M HAVING  
BREAKFAST WITH PRESIDENT CARTER IN THE UNITED STATES.  
4. QUESTION: WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE SUMMIT?  
5. SECRETARY: WHAT SUMMIT?  
6. QUESTION: THE FRANCO-RUSSIAN SUMMIT?  
7. SECRETARY: WELL, I'VE READ THAT WITH GREAT INTEREST.  
WE ALL FOLLOWED IT IN THE PAPERS AND WE'RE VERY  
INTERESTED TO READ ABOUT THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS BETWEEN  
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THE TWO LEADERS, AND IT SEEMED TO US IN THE UNITED  
STATES IT WAS A VERY CONSTRUCTIVE SUMMIT WHICH WAS HELD.  
8. QUESTION: WOULD YOU SAY THAT PRESIDENT GISCARD  
DESTAING PLAYS THE PART OF A GO-BETWEEN BETWEEN THE  
UNITED STATES, I MEAN WASHINGTON, AND MOSCOW, BECAUSE  
THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE NOT THAT  
GOOD RIGHT NOW?

9. SECRETARY: THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION ARE FRANK AND WE ARE EXCHANGING VIEWS WITH THEM ON MANY, MANY SUBJECTS AT ALL TIMES. WE, OF COURSE, APPRECIATE THE ADVICE AND HELP WHICH WE GET FROM OTHERS FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT OUR RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION ARE VERY SATISFACTORY.

10. QUESTION: DO YOU THINK THE RHODESIA MEDIATION EFFORT WILL BE SUCCESSFUL THIS TIME?

11. SECRETARY: WE'RE GOING TO DO EVERYTHING WITHIN OUR POWER TO HELP BRING ABOUT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION THERE. THE PROBLEMS ARE VERY DIFFICULT AND I DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE THE COMPLEXITY AND DIFFICULTY OF THE PROBLEMS, AND I'M SURE THE BRITISH SHARE THE SAME POINT OF VIEW. HOWEVER, WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO DO WHAT WE CAN TO TRY AND HELP IN BOTH THE RHODESIAN QUESTION AND IN CONNECTION WITH NAMIBIA AS WELL.

12. QUESTION: WHAT ARE THE QUESTIONS WHICH YOU DISCUSSED WITH PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING?

13. SECRETARY: WE CONFINED OURSELVES BASICALLY TO THE ISSUE WHICH I TALKED ABOUT. ONE MORE QUESTION.

14. QUESTION: YOU ARE GOING TO PEKING SHORTLY, SIR?

15. SECRETARY: I AM GOING TO PEKING THE END OF AUGUST, YES. I WILL BE THERE FOR ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE DAYS AND I WILL BE MEETING WITH THE CHINESE LEADERS AT THAT TIME.

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16. QUESTION: WOULD YOU GO TO A WORLD SUMMIT MEETING ON ARMS LIMITATION WITH COMMUNIST CHINA?

17. SECRETARY: I DON'T THINK THERE'S BEEN ANY SUGGESTION ABOUT SUCH A SUMMIT (SIC). WE ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS QUESTIONS OF ARMS LIMITATIONS AT ANYTIME WITH ANYONE BUT I DON'T THINK THERE'S BEEN A SUGGESTION OF THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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